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THE PREZ SEZ: Stan Bogaczyk

For the past eight weeks I have contacted most of you in an effort to staff the various positions and committees which are necessary to make the club function smoothly during the coming year. The following appointments have been made to date:

Field Maintenance Chairman:-Bob Arnold

Field Committee Members Bill Stephens, Gordon McLain

Meeting Programs Dick Allen, John Seitz

New Flyer Development - Larry Taylor

Activities Chairman Hank Farrell

Flying Demonstrations Tom Tomasky

Membership Chairman - Myron Cary Static Displays Mike Rushanki

Presentations Roger Sanwald

Historian Wayne Sitler New Field Acquisition

Committee - Don Leaf, Dick Allen,

Chet Waterman, Bill Underkofler - Ralph Jackson

- Bob Noll

- Bill Sebesta, Bob Jennings

Don Godfrey

Bob Jaynes, Don Godfrey

Connector Editor Contest Director Contest Business Managers Contest Programs Contest Publicity

Larry Taylor has done an excellent job of getting our new flyer development program off to a flying start. We are in need of flying instructors for this program. Please see or call Larry or myself to volunteer your talents.

A Field Trip was made to the Maine Field and the Hodges site on Palm Sunday. The Hodges site will not be ready to use in the early spring. Therefore, the Maine field will be the club flying site until further notice. Please avoid damaging the access road or field when soft ground conditions prevail.

Your Board of Directors has agreed on guidlines for this year's contest. Please support the contest committees and let's work to assure a successful meet.

This will be the last issue of The Connector sent to those who have not paid their 1975 dues. A new roster for this year is now being prepared. Send your dues to Bob Jaynes, treasurer. Also, remember to get your club FCC license validated for 1975.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST AND FIELD PREPARATION PARTY: Bob Arnold

The annual Spring Field Preparation Party and Pancake Breakfast will be held Saturday, May 3rd at the <u>Maine field</u>. Breakfast will be at 10:00 am . Bring your planes for flying after the field preparation work is completed.

NEW FLYERS DEVELOPMENT: Larry Taylor

The New Flyers Development Committee has been established this year with the responsibility of ensuring that each new member obtains all of the help he needs in building and flying R/C aircraft. This will be accomplished by holding workshops on building procedures and helping the new flyers obtain sufficient flying instruction.

Anyone having any other suggestions please contact me. Any member interested in helping with a workshop or giving flying instruction, please let me know. Each workshop will consist of several interested members observing an experienced builder demonstrate a building technique such as cutting foam wings, spray painting or fiberglass application. These workshops will occur throughout the year as interest in them and instructors for them are obtained.

Another project this committee is undertaking is to establish a list of airplanes built by each member. This will aid all members in selecting and overcoming design errors in kits and plans.

PROGRAMS FOR AGS 1975 PATTERN AND SCALE CONTEST: Don Godfrey

It is time to begin effort on preparation and advertisement sales for the Printed Programs to be distributed to spectators at the 1975 AGS contest. Volunteers are needed for this important task which is vital to the success of our contest. Information on advertisement sizes and rates as well as suggestions on successful sales techniques will be provided. Volunteers please contact Don Godfrey 724-6549 for more information.

TREE CUTTING PARTY AT TRI CITIES AIRPORT: Dick Allen

Every year those plane eating trees on the river bank at Tri-Cities Airport present a more imposing hazard to our long suffering contestants. So, on Saturday, April 26 we plan to have a tree cutting party to clear the valuable air space at the end of the runway. We have the airport manager's OK to cut them down.

Four of us will be there with chain saws. We could use another chain saw or two with experienced operators. We need four or five volunteers to man hatchets and hand saws. Also they are needed to keep the chain saw operators from dropping trees on each other. Anyone who would like to help, please call Dick Allen at 785-1641.

See you there at the end of the runway at 8:00 am on Saturday. April 26.

Footing doesn't look too great, so I would recommend heavy boots.

FINISHING WITH FINISHING RESIN: Bob Noll

Why use finishing resin on your next airplane? The answer is simple and comes in two parts: 1. To provide a smooth, blemish free surface before painting, and 2. To strengthen the structure as much as possible without adding much weight. I used finishing resin three years ago and ran into some frustrating problems because of its incompatibility with other materials. Since then, I have learned what materials should not be used with finishing resin and now I am convinced that it is the easiest, fastest and most durable finish one can use.

Here is a list of Compatibles and Non-Compatibles that I have knowledge of from personal experience:

These are materials used before applying finishing resin

WHAT TO USE 5 minute epoxy ... For gluing;

Titebond, Wilhold, White glue

WHAT NOT TO USE

Normal slow cure epoxy

For filling: Hobbypoxy stuff

Vinyl spackling compound

For fillets: Micro balloons in

Epoxolite

finishing resin

I have not found any paints or glues to be incompatible after application of finishing resin.

The second part of this article will be printed in next month's Connector.





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